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NORTHERN

games. (G. K. P.), Toronto.—Ditto. ("Curious"), Campbellton, N.B.—In No. 153, if 1..., BxR; 2. Q—Kt4 mate. Im 152, yes, 2. .., K—K4. Thanks for pointing out error in game.

Errata.

In game Sept. 22, Egmondville v. Toronto, note (q), a correspondent kindly points out that we have overlooked black's 37. ..., R—K8 mate! White can finish in eight by 37. QxR and 38. Q—Kt6.

CHESS IN CANADA.

An interesting game, played in Victoria, between Mr. C. F. Davie and T. H. Piper. Mr. Davie informs us that Mr. Piper was a very strong player, from whom he learned his chess, but he is on in years now. He once challenged Magnus Smith (who at that time claimed the championship of Canada) to a match for the determination of this question and for \$1,000, offering to pay his (Smith's) expenses to the coast. Smith, however, could not secure the backing.

Centre Counter Gambit.

| White. | Black. |
|----------------|---------------|
| T. H. Piper. | C. F. Davie. |
| 1. P-K4 | 1. P-Q4 |
| 2. PxP | 2. QxP |
| 3. Kt—QB3 | 3. Q—QR4 |
| 4. Kt—B3 (a) | 4. P-K4 (b) |
| 5. B—B4 | 5. B-K2 (c) |
| 6. Castles | 6. Kt—KB3 |
| 7. R—Ksq | 7. Kt—B3 |
| 8. B-Kt5 | 8. Kt-Q2 |
| 9. BxKt | 9. PxB |
| 10. P-Q4 (d) • | 10. P—B3 (e) |
| 11. Kt-KR4 (f) | 11. Castles |
| 12. Kt—B5 | 12. R—B2 |
| 13. Q—Kt4 (g) | 13. K—Rsq |
| 14. B—R6 | 14. B—Bsq (h) |
| 15. B—Q2 (i) | 15. PxP |
| 16. KtxP | 16. Kt—K4 |
| 17. Q-K4 | 17. B—Q2 |
| 18. P—B4 | 18. Kt—B5 |
| 19. KtxP (j) | 19. Q—B4ch |
| 20. Kt—Q4 | 20. R—Ksq |
| Resigns (k) | |

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(a) Usual is 4. P—Q4, but recently 4.

B—B4 has been advocated as best. The text-move at once gives black a good development for his Queen's Bishop at Kt5 and is therefore objectionable.

(b) This advance appears to be unsound, black being too much behind in development. B—Kt5 and Kt—KB3 should have been played.

(c) If now 5..., B—KKt5, of course white continues 6. BxPch,

(d) There are objections to 10. Q—K2. The text-move commendably takes advantage of the exposed black king, for if now 10..., PxP, then 11. QxP, Kt—B3 (if 11..., P—B3, then 12. Q—K4, Kt—K4; 13. KtxKt, PxKt; 14. QxBPch), 12. B—R6; etc.

(if 11..., P—B3, then 12. Q—K4, Kt—K4;
13. KtxKt, PxKt; 14. QxBPch), 12. B—R6!
etc.

(e) Not 10..., B—Q3; 11. PxP, KtxP;
12. KtxKt, BxKt; 13. P—B4.
(f) White, who has played very well up
to now, here misses his cue. He should
have continued 11. PxP, PxP; 12. KtxP,
KtxKt; 13. Q—R5ch, P—Kt3; 14. RxKt!
with a winning advantage. The position
will repay examination.
(g) 13. PxP, PxP (KtxP would lose a
piece), hoping to gain later against the
isolated pawns might be suggested.
(h) It would seem that the bishop could
be safely taken, e.g., 14..., PxB; 15. R—
K3, Kt—Bsq; 16. R—Kt3, Kt—Kt3, when
17. P—KR4 would be answered by 17...,
BxKt.

K3, Kt—Bsq; 16. R—Kt3, Kt—Kt3, when 17. P—KR4 would be answered by 17..., BxKt.

(i) The bishop must evidently retire and the initiative passes over to black. If 15. R—K3, then 15..., Kt—Kt3. (threatening P—Kt3) 16. Q—B3, PxB. If here, instead, 15..., PxB, then white gets the best of it by 16. R—Kt3, B—KKt2; 17. KtxB, Kt—Bsq; 18. Kt—B5, Kt—Kt3 (threatening Kt—K2); 19. Q—B3. If 19. Q—Kt then black answers 19..., PxP!

(j) This is a mistake for which Mr. Davie had laid without, however, great expectations. The best play is 19. Kt—Kt3, when black can secure the advantage of two bishops against two knights. (k) The knight cannot be saved, for if 21. Q—Q3, then 21..., KtxKtP. A very interesting game.

North-West Chess Tourney at Winnipeg

| Players. | | Lost. |
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| R. J. Spencer | . 12 | 0 |
| W. G. Howard | . 9 | 3 |
| P. Barry | . 8 | 4 |
| G. H. Collin | . 71/2 | 414 |
| G. F. Griffin | | 41/2 |
| B. J. Zeeman | . 7 | 5 |
| A. D. Campbell | . 6 | 6 |
| L. C. Chown | . 5 | 7 |
| C. D. Corbould | | 8 |
| J. A. Walker | | 8 |
| W. O. Craig | . 3 | 9 |
| F. C. Dromgovle | | 9 |
| G. D. Holmes | | 10 |

A N Irishman who had walked a long distance, feeling very thirsty and seeing a milkman, asked the price of a quart of milk.

"Threepence," replied the milk-

"Then give me a quart in pints," said Pat.

Pat, on drinking one pint asked, "How do we stand?"

The milkman replied, "I owe yer a pint."

"And I owe you one," said Pat, "so we are quits."